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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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This is in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2007. This paper is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a three month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from November 13, 2007 to February 13, 2008.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks**, including arguments, begin on page 3 of this paper.